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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

• JIS two years later - Online 10 October

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• Raw materials week - Brussels 12-16 November

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December

#### TWEET OF THE MONTH



By using #Harmonized European #standards under the #CPR, #manufacturers can make the declaration of performance (#DoP) of the product and affix the #CEmarking. Register here for our free workshop on 22/10: https://t.co/lzdbeG0syL @EU\_Commission @ConstructionEU pic.twitter.com/piXECu3Ht6



 — CEN and CENELEC
 (@Standards4EU) September 28, 2018





#### Save the date Level(s) conference, Brussels 18th December

The Level(s) test phase is ongoing and will run until the summer of 2019. There are approximately 120 building projects actively testing the indicators of this "common language" throughout Europe.

Please note that the next Level(s) conference will take place in Brussels on 18th December. The objective is to discuss how the sector may shift towards a lifecycle approach. The event will also offer stakeholders to review the actual testing of Level(s) in both the residential and the non-residential markets

Our Vice-President, Cédric de Meeûs, whilst looking forward to taking part in the event stated that "The Level(s) voluntary scheme is promoting building-level approach embedding life cycle thinking when assessing sustainable construction. We believe this common and comprehensive language will help EU construction actors driving forward the 2050 low-carbon agenda."

We will inform you of the registration procedure and agenda as soon as these are available.

### Skills Blueprint for the Construction Industry

The project was submitted in the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme – 2018 call for proposals. It was approved in August by the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) which is managing the programme on behalf of the European Commission. This 4-years project with a budget of  $\in$ 4 million should start on 1st January 2019. It is driven by a consortium of 24 partners from 12 countries and the lead partner is FLC-Fundacion Laboral de la Construccion (Spain). Our colleagues from FIEC, EBC and the EFBWW are amongst the partners.

Those interested in skills development will be invited to attend seminars and workshops. We will keep you



informed about this interesting project and its development. <u>Read more...</u>

## Industry4Europe delegation meeting the Austrian Presidency

Construction Products Europe has been a member of the Industry4Europe coalition from the very start and on 11th October a delegation will hand over the recent Joint Papers on Indicators and Governance to Michael Esterl, Secretary General of the Austrian Ministry for Economic Affairs and Head of Cabinet of Minister Schramböck. On this occasion we will be represented by our Board member, Andreas Pfeiler, who heads Wirtschaftskammer Österreich. Steinkeramische Industrie, Fachverband. und A dedicated Industry4Europe website is under development and you are encouraged to follow our work through the twitter account @Industry4Europe that needs more followers.

# Workshop - Essentials for drafting standards

We received an overwhelming response to attend this workshop. In order to expand the possibility to participate CEN will be hosting this event also online via a webinar. Should you prefer to attend this event online please register for online participation. Please note that you may register to the webinar in advance only if you decide to attend the workshop online. Following your registration to the webinar, you will receive the link to participate online. Since every link is unique, please do not share this link with other participants! Read more...

### **Smart CE marking implementation**

Smart CE marking of construction products will be discussed during the next meeting of the CEN Construction Forum to take place mid-October. Construction Products Europe will suggest the creation of a management structure within CEN to support the development of the format for harmonised standards and to guarantee an homogeneous implementation. The work already started in some technical committees and EOTA is also testing the concept for their products. If you are interested to discuss it for your products <u>contact us...</u>

# Fire Safety Engineering internal workshop - 9th November

Construction Products Europe is organising an internal workshop to discuss Fire Safety Engineering (FSE) from the point of view of construction products manufacturers. The event will take place at our premises in Brussels and will be restricted to our members and the experts they will invite. The official registration will be sent soon but you can save the date in your calendars.

### EASME study on internationalisation of SMEs from the European Construction sector

The contract is being carried out by VVA and CSES and its objective is the provision of tailor-made proposals for EU public support to SMEs in their efforts to internationalise their activities beyond the borders of the EU, and specifically in Africa-Caribbean-Pacific, Asia, Latin America, the Balkans and the Middle-East.

The outcomes of the study will feed into a strategy for possible EU action to support the internationalisation of EU SMEs from the construction sector in third markets. The study includes wide-ranging consultation with stakeholders. Companies or other individuals or organisations that would like to know more about the study, or provide policy inputs, are invited to contact <u>Mr.</u> <u>Pierre Hausemer</u>. The research team is particularly interested in hearing of any success stories that could be the basis of learning lessons for other SMEs hoping to internationalise to those markets.

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